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HOW SILVER WAS "STRUCK DOWN."

Responding to a seeker for truth respecting the metallic money question, the New York Press actually denies that the act of February 12, 1873, "struck down silver." "How," it asks, "could a little clause in an obscure bill which the President who signed it did not observe, and which Roosevelt and many other Senators declared they did not notice, 'strike down silver'?" "Our laws," the Press insists, "have no such potency," and then it repeats the oft-repeated statement that American coinage of silver up to 1873 was so insignificant that really there was little or no silver to "strike down." While most unfair, these declarations may have some merit for uninitiated persons; and they are noteworthy also because they contain some important admissions of fact.

It is of no small significance that this advocate of the gold standard confesses that the clause of the act of 1873 denouncing silver was obscure, and that the Senators who voted for the bill and the President who signed it, were not aware that silver was thus discarded. Hitherto the gold advocates have agreed in insisting that the silver-denouncing clause of the bill was so conspicuous that it was under circumstances of the largest publicity. But it is indeed true, as the Press declares, that there was so little knowledge of the nature and purposes of the bill that the public men who approved it were astonished when they learned what revolutionary process it had authorized. The reason for this ignorance, the cause of the obscurity, have never been fully explained; nor can they be, perhaps, unless the persons who contrived the whole performance are still alive and ready to acknowledge the culpable ignorance which sometimes force men to make frank confession of their offenses. It may be that much confidence in the wisdom of the bill, as it was finally placed upon the statute books, was really not the bill that passed Congress; and the proceeding by which the change was effected may possibly have been decided secretly by the men employed for that purpose by Senator Allison who, on February 15, 1873, declared it had been "doctored."

It cannot be questioned, however, that a "little clause in an obscure bill" might "strike down silver" as effectively as a great clause in a bill that was not obscure. What the bill in question actually did was this: From 1792 to 1893, the silver dollar, containing 371 grains of silver, was the only lawful "unit of value" in the United States. But, during the whole of that long period, gold and silver had exactly equal rights at the mint, enjoying together practically free coinage; and both, therefore, occupied the position of standard money, measuring and defining the values of all other things. The act of February 12, 1873, threw down the silver dollar as the lawful "unit of value" and for the first time in American history, made the gold dollar the lawful unit. While that act continued to gold the old privilege of free coinage, it denied to silver the right to be coined upon any terms or in any quantity. This was revolutionary action, overthrowing the uniform practice and completely reversing the ancient precedent. Would it be possible to conceive of any proceeding which could more effectively have "struck down silver"? What course of action pursued by any one hostile to that metal could have proceeded with greater approach to certainty the desired result of the denunciation of one of the two precious metals?

Whether we had coined much or little silver in this country prior to 1873 is a matter of no importance in considering the subject. It would be enough to say that at any other time the people would have obtained the benefits of the subsequent large production of silver in the Western territory. To a man who has studied the subject with an open mind can doubt that we could have maintained the two metals at parity under such circumstances. Observe these figures representing the comparative production of the two metals in four different periods:

1792-1848. Twice as much silver as gold was produced.
1848-1862. One third as much silver as gold was produced.
1862-1873. Twice as much gold as silver was produced.
1873-1892. One-fourth more silver than gold was produced.

During the first three periods, with one metal or the other largely in excess, the two metals without difficulty were kept at or near to parity. Is it not most reasonable to believe that, in the fourth period, when silver was in such large excess, the same relationship could have been maintained if the same conditions under the law and at the mint had been permitted? Moreover, it is not to be noted as of high importance that silver-demonstration was not confined to this country. Following our civil example, Germany, France, Italy, of the Latin Union and other European nations proceeded to discredit silver. Thus the blow struck at that metal was not aimed merely by "American legislation," but by practically world-wide legislation affecting the silver and also the gold of the whole civilized earth.

But it is not strange that the gold standard process should be in the hands of the facts and distorting the evidence. The cause for which it speaks cannot hope to achieve any rights unless the truth shall be hidden completely from the eyes of the people.—The American.

HARDINSBURG.

L. H. & W. TIME TABLE.

Passenger Daily Arr. Hardinsburg 12:15 p.m.

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See J. A. Witt's clothing.

Miss Emma Smith is quite ill.

Born to the wife of P. Dillon, April 3d a boy.

Capt. Hilda, Owensboro, was here last Friday.

Mrs. Piquet was visiting at Irvington last week.

Roland Smith, Stephensport, was here last Friday.

Dr. A. M. Kincheloe lost a fine Jersey cow Sunday morning.

Mr. D. W. Fairleigh, Louisville, was here last Saturday.

Mr. and Mrs. Teuf were in Louisville a few days last week.

Mr. Marion McCalister, Cloverport, returned Friday.

Bobt. Cox has gone to Louisville to make his home there.

Miss Lizzie Kerkhove returned from a visit to friends at Big Spring.

Mr. Dolph Jones and his little daughter Big Spring, were here Monday.

Thomas Duffey has accepted a position as engineer on the L. & N. railroad.

Mr. Wm. Beard will move into his new house near the depot this week.

Save your money these hard times by buying your clothing from J. A. Witt.

J. A. Witt is a man of business and his clothes can be bought from J. A. Witt.

Corner Joseph Taul in attendance on the Court of Claims all last week.

Every dollar is worth two—nowadays—see prices on clothing at J. A. Witt's.

Beautiful line of spring clothing. The price doesn't count if you get J. A. Witt's.

Miss Lila Venable is in Louisville to spend a couple of weeks visiting friends.

Mrs. Matilda Mattingly, aged 84, died at her home in Long Kirk last Saturday.

Miss Lillie Scott and Miss Jennie Wardfield to spend a week at work week.

Mr. Dumpey, candidate for railroad commission, was here one day last week.

Rev. Gable is having a new parsonage built to his residence near the Catholic church.

Preparations are being made for celebrating Easter Sunday at the Catholic church.

Mr. Jesse Miller and Arthur Mattingly, by Sample, are here attending the Normal College.

Miss Mattie Pumphrey, West View, was visiting Mrs. Sally Colby last Saturday and Sunday.

There seems to be a chance for the Democrats yet. They elected three school trustees here last Saturday.

J. H. Johnson was in Louisville last week buying a new supply of goods.

Mr. Johnson having been crippled for some time has allowed his stock to run down, but he will now open out new and wants to save some of his old customers.

F. K. Rhodes exonerated from collecting special tax due in Cloverport Common School District, until the final decision of the suit in the United States Court.

Mr. E. I. McGary presented a claim for \$35.00 for taxes erroneously paid in 1881 and 1882, rejected.

Morris Kinkadee was allowed \$125.00 for his services as commissioner and receiver for the past year.

Dr. Sherif F. K. Rhodes was allowed \$200.00 less 10 per cent, on a final settlement for the county levy due for the year 1894.

The claim of Ed. Cushman for \$408.75 for taking lot of property in Hardinsburg and part of Rough Creek tract for railroad tax, rejected. An appeal was given him to the Circuit Court on said claim.

Morris Kinkadee, Commissioner of the county, reported that he was due from Stuart B. Jernette, former sheriff 1893-94. He had brought suit for said sum, but had failed so far to obtain a judgment. Because of his failure to collect said sum the Commissioner reported that he was compelled to borrow money to pay on the County's indebtedness. For said purpose he borrowed \$405.00 at 5 per cent interest. The Commissioner further reported that all county bonds were now drawing five per cent interest.

Amount of bonds received October, 1894.

Amount received from F. K. Rhodes, 1894.

Amount borrowed, 1894.

Amount paid to Commissioner, 1894.

Amount of bonds outstanding, 1894.

Amount of bonded indebtedness of the county, 1894.

John M. Stillwell exonerated from payment of railroad tax on \$200 worth of land, the same not being in tax district.

Miss Ann Lacy exonerated from payment of railroad tax on \$250 worth of property, said amount being in excess of the actual value of her property.

W. C. Ames exonerated from paying railroad tax on \$922 worth of property, the same being in the Union Star district.

G. A. Leitcher exonerated from payment of railroad tax on \$115 worth of property, the same having been late by other parties.

A. A. Leitcher was exonerated from paying tax on \$200 worth of land for the same cause.

Thomas A. Miller exonerated from payment of railroad tax on \$110 worth of property, the same having been late by other parties.

The sheriff exonerated from collection of railroad tax on lot of Joe Ben Taul, there being no such person.

BRANDENBURG.

John E. Monahan, commissioner, to settle with the sheriff did his report.

The court ordered gates erected on the public road, leading from the Littlefield road to Mound-river road, for the purpose of protecting the same from the overflow of the river.

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I was invited by Mr. Wm. McFay to inspect the staple and fancy articles, groceries, boots, shoes, hats, caps, just received in his new roomy and attractive business home on East Main. I found bargains in every line, spring goods, groceries, too numerous to mention. Men, boys and ladies, all are invited to be held the counter at your service. Mr. Wm. McFay has proven himself a faithful servant of the public in the past and he is now serving his constituents in the most reliable and satisfactory manner. Mr. J. H. Bishop has a full line of jewelry and silversware in the south-west corner of Mr. McFay's store. He has been in this business for years, is experienced, responsible, and your patronage and guarantee satisfaction.

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Miss Mary and Mattie Elliot, Elizabethtown, are visiting Miss Lida Wyatt.

Mr. J. J. Upson, visitor, brother, J. H. Wheeler, at Harpers, last Saturday.

Miss Stella and Emma Moore have returned to their home in Elizabethtown.

Miss Birtle Farmer spent a several days last week visiting the Misses McCandless.

Misses Lida King and Bettie Garvin, spent last Saturday and Sunday at Geo. Dixon's, near town.

Miss Nancy Constant and Mrs. Martha Day are spending a few days with relatives and friends in Sonora.

D. A. Clawson, one of our best citizens, left with his family last Tuesday morning for Nebraska, their future home.

Mrs. Dary Jenkins returned several days ago from a two weeks visit to relatives in Louisville and Harpers, Ky.

Mr. and Mrs. Con Woodard, of near Paducah, were in the city last Sunday, guests of C. M. Bradley and family.

We are sorry to learn that brother J. R. Mitchell was unable, physically, to reach his appointment here on the 7th Sunday School organized by the Methodist church Sunday with brother James Paynter, superintendent and James King, secretary.

At the home of Thomas Dixon, of Elizabethtown, on Wednesday evening, at 4 o'clock p. m. Rev. James Stubblefield, of the Auburn Circuit, Louisville Conference, united in holy matrimony, Union Watkins, of this city, to Miss Sarah Park, of Lanes county. Several of the Uptonians, who attended the nuptials, report an enjoyable occasion.

On Monday night, March 28, brother Mitchell came to see brother Mitchell in a protracted meeting. They continued their labors until Tuesday night, April the 2nd, during which time there were about twenty-three souls saved. Meeting was just under good head-way when closed, but brother Stubblefield had called to answer at other points and sickness in brother Mitchell's family demanded his presence at home.

These brethren conducted a three weeks meeting here little more than a year ago, in which eighty-three souls were brought to Christ.

Proclamation By the Mayor.

CLOVERPORT, Ky., April 8, 1895.—In accordance to a suggestion from the State Board of Health and also of the City Council, of Cloverport, I hereby make an earnest appeal to each and every citizen, of Cloverport, in regard to the necessity of having themselves and family vaccinated. Stinted as we are, we are more or less exposed to the much dreaded disease, smallpox, which is reported to be on both sides of our city. Hence the necessity of being prepared against itself clearly to every sensible person. I will say to the poor, who are not able to pay for vaccination, they will be vaccinated free by calling on Dr. A. A. Simons, member State Board of Health.

JOHN A. BARRY, Mayor.

Card of Thanks.

To my many friends and patrons I wish to extend thanks for good wishes, kindness and favors granted me in the last few years. I have now disposed of my business interests in this city, and ask for my successor the same kind consideration that I have enjoyed. In my retirement departure from Cloverport I leave the good wishes to her good people. May they all enjoy the peace, happiness and prosperity which they so justly deserve. Yours Truly,

BERNARD BRAVER.

Prof. J. M. Tobes is back at his old place with J. E. Smith, John Scott, and Mr. E. E. Now is on a regular visit to the monument for Mrs. Mary Park Douglas, mother of Mrs. J. E. Stone.

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